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	Agenda Item No.	28
	Roll Call No.	<u>13-1569</u>
	Communication No.	<u>13-509</u>
	Submitted by:	Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Amendment to the Schedule of Fees for Fees Imposed by Chapter 26, Buildings and Building Regulations.

SYNOPSIS:

The proposed changes to the schedule of fees corrects code section references for the reordered Chapter 26, corrects the reference to the re-inspection fee which currently appears to only apply to plumbing installations, and increases the re-inspection fee from \$40 to \$100 to better cover costs associated with additional inspector trips to job sites for uncorrected construction deficiencies.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Code section references in the schedule of fees are proposed to be corrected to reflect new code section numbers in the reordered Municipal Code Chapter 26.

Re-inspection fees have been part of the fee schedule and Chapter 26 code enforcement provisions for several years. Because re-inspection fees were inaccurately represented in the schedule of fees, appearing to be only applicable to plumbing installations, these fees have not been charged. The proposed change to the schedule of fees corrects this reference to allow re-inspection fees to be applicable to all permitted work. The fee increase to \$100 better covers the cost of inspector time and travel expense associated with making an additional, unnecessary trip to a jobsite.

Re-inspection fees will not be administered to all contractors for all re-inspections. Re-inspection fees will be charged to those who habitually fail to make corrections prior to scheduling re-inspections, resulting in additional inspector trips to the job site.

The following description is an example situation of when a re-inspection fee will be charged: Inspector conducts inspection and provides written construction inspection report to contractor that lists items needing correction. Contractor schedules re-inspection and claims all items have been corrected. Inspector finds items listed on the inspection report have not been corrected. If this is a common occurrence for the contractor, a re-inspection fee will be charged.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 10, 2003

Roll Call Number: 03-316

Action: Resolution approving and adopting a schedule of fees for filings, appeals, inspections, exams and license under Chapter 26. Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0 with Daniels absent.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

With new codes being adopted on a three (3) year cycle, the schedule of fees may need to be modified to reflect new code section numbers.

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